

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Dothan, Alabama, as follows:

**Section 1.** That the City of Dothan makes application for grant funding in the amount of \$202,500.00 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Program, Bureau of Justice Assistance under the Fiscal Year 2016 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program.

**Section 2.** That Mike Schmitz, Mayor of the City of Dothan and in such capacity, is hereby authorized and directed to make application for the said grant for and in the name of the City of Dothan.

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** on \_\_\_\_\_.

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk

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**Mayor**

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**Associate Commissioner District 1**

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**Associate Commissioner District 2**

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**Associate Commissioner District 3**

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**Associate Commissioner District 4**

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**Associate Commissioner District 5**

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**Associate Commissioner District 6**  
**BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS**



THE CITY OF  
**DOTHAN, ALABAMA**

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**STEVEN L. PARRISH**  
CHIEF OF POLICE

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mr. Michael West, City Manager

FROM: Steven L. Parrish, Chief of Police

DATE: April 14, 2016

SUBJECT: FY2016 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program (More than 25 Officers)

Sir:

Attached is a copy of the staff study prepared regarding an application to apply for funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Program, Bureau of Justice Assistance under the FY2016 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program (More than 25 Officers). The Dothan Police Department falls into the mid-sized agency category and may request grant funding with 16 awards being made by BJA in this category. The grant requires a 50% match with a maximum funding of \$1,500.00 per camera. The estimated cost for the body-worn camera program for 135 units for the first 24 months is \$422,550.00. The grant application is requesting \$202,500.00 in funding with a match of \$220,050.00. A formal bid will be required to proceed forward and to obtain actual costs.

If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

  
Steven L. Parrish  
Chief of Police

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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**CITY OF DOTHAN**  
Staff Report  
For  
Mayor and City Commissioners

**PROJECT TITLE**     **Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program**

**(More than 25 Officers) FY 2016 Competitive Grant**

**Department**             Police Department

**Report Prepared on** April 14, 2016     **Admin. Meeting Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**PURPOSE**

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**BACKGROUND**

The funding category of mid-size police agencies, 26-250 officers, seeking to establish new or expand existing body-worn camera (BWC) program must identify methods, policies and practices, measurements for program success, show funding sustainability, and existing resources. Grant funds cannot be used to extend maintenance and support services or line-item data storage costs. Applicants may request no more than \$1,500.00 for each camera to be deployed in this phase, up to the agency size funding limitations.

**DESCRIPTION**

Dothan Police are currently testing the most current BWC technologies and awaiting the next generation equipment to be released within the next few months. After the testing phase, specifications will be written for a formal bid process. The estimated cost for year one is 268,650.00, year two is \$153,900.00, with following years projected to be about the same as year two costs.

## **DISCUSSION**

As outlined in the Grant guidelines, a Memorandum of Understanding demonstrating a partnership with associated agencies and advocacy groups are necessary to promote the program objectives. The Dothan Police Department will seek and enter agreements with the following agencies:

City of Dothan, City Attorney's Office  
Houston County District Attorney's Office  
Southeast Alabama Child Advocacy Center

**City of Dothan, Alabama  
Dothan Police Department Body-Worn Camera  
Estimated Budget Projection**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Estimated Cost Each</u>
BodyWorn System includes HD Body Camera, 2 Vest Carriers or 4 Duty Shirts, BlueTooth, Rocket In-Car Router and Locker, Vehicle Triggers, Range Boosting Antenna, Installation, Training. Bundle package also includes: Unlimited Pro Plan BodyWorn and Communications (YEAR 1) - AVaiLWeb and SmartRedaction SaaS, Training and Configuration, Warranty and Technical Support with Unlimited Video Storage and Download	135	\$ 1,990.00
Unlimited Pro Plan BodyWorn and Communications (YEAR 2)- AVaiLWeb and SmartRedaction SaaS, Warranty and Technical Support with Unlimited Video Storage and Download	135	\$ 1,140.00

**Estimated Cost for the First Two Years**

**Camera-based funding metric formula**

***135 Cameras X \$1,500 maximum per camera on grant = \$202,500.00***

***\$202,500.00 Grant Request + \$220,050.00 Matching Funds = \$422,550.00 Total Program Cost***

The City of Dothan will issue a formal bid for the procurement of the body-worn camera equipment. The Dothan Police Department was able to obtain estimated quotes for the purposes of budgeting for the grant and sustainment of the program by the City of Dothan.